

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Paul V. Cooper Docket No.: 023438.00043  
Application No.: 10/773,118 Group Art Unit: 1793  
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Title: SUPPORT POST SYSTEM FOR MOLTEN METAL PUMP

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

Applicant hereby responds to the Office Action dated May 1, 2009 and requests that the Examiner continue examination in view of the Claim Listing and Remarks beginning on pages 2 and 5, respectively. This response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).